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Congressman Dent lauds Labor Department grant to help workers displaced by floods

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY — U.S. Rep. Charlie Dent (PA-15) expressed his gratitude to the U.S. Labor Department for providing a \$1,986,000 Workforce Investment Grant to several Pennsylvania counties, including Northampton County, which suffered from significant flooding in late June.

The funding will provide temporary jobs to assist with cleanup and recovery from the flooding, including projects that provide food, clothing, shelter, and other humanitarian assistance for flood victims.

Workers eligible for the temporary jobs include those who were displaced by the flooding and long-term unemployed individuals. The Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry is grant recipient and coordinator of the project.

“This funding will be very helpful both to the relief efforts in the aftermath of the flooding and to people whose livelihoods were interrupted by this latest disaster,” Congressman Dent said. “I greatly appreciate the support of Secretary Chao and the Labor Department as people try to get their lives back in order.”

Congressman Dent visited the affected areas of Northampton County in the aftermath of the flooding that hit the area on June 26. He urged a quick federal declaration of emergency by the President.

In addition to Northampton County, other Pennsylvania counties in the project area include Bradford, Bucks, Columbia, Luzerne, Northumberland, Susquehanna, and Wyoming.

Congressman Dent represents Pennsylvania's 15th District, which includes all or parts of Lehigh, Northampton, Montgomery, and Berks Counties.

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